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HOUSE RESOLUTION 2003

A RESOLUTION

ON THE DEATH OF OPAL TENNEY GOODMAN ALLEN.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Opal Tenney Goodman Allen passed away on March 27, 2008 at the Arizona
2 Pioneers' Home in Prescott, just two days short of her ninety-fifth birthday.

3 Born in Sunset, Arizona on March 29, 1913, Opal Tenney was the fourth
4 of ten children born to Nathan and Myrtle Tenney. In 1925, her family moved
5 to Prescott, where she contributed to the hard work needed to run the
6 family's goat ranch. She graduated from Prescott High School as
7 valedictorian of her class in 1930, and on November 30, 1932, she married
8 Everett Lee Goodman. In 1942, they moved to Idaho where they farmed and
9 eventually bought a convenience store and gas station. Opal and Everett
10 raised eight children, Jacquelyn, Larry, William, Lynda, Sandra, April, Rock
11 and Lark, and in 1957, the family moved to Twin Falls, Idaho and began
12 operating a motel.

13 In 1956, Everett's health began to fail, and he died in 1957, leaving
14 Opal a widow with seven children to support. She moved to Provo, Utah, where
15 she worked several jobs to support her children and send the older ones to
16 the university. Opal went on to marry Merle Allen and returned to live in
17 Prescott for the remainder of her life.

18 Opal Tenney Goodman Allen gave freely of her time, energy and efforts
19 to various worthwhile community endeavors over her lifetime. She was a
20 Republican Precinct Committeeperson for sixty-five years and a member of the
21 Republican Women of Prescott. She served in various state, local and county
22 PTA organizations, including service as the state PTA president. Opal's
23 tremendous efforts were instrumental in the establishment of Yavapai College
24 in 1970, and she became known as the "mother" of Yavapai College. She went
25 on to become a founding member of the Yavapai College Foundation in 1971. She
26 held every position a woman can hold in the Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day
27 Saints Relief Society, and she served twenty-five years in the Primary. Opal
28 Tenney Goodman Allen worked diligently to better the world around her, and
29 her loving spirit and generous nature earned her the respect and admiration
30 of all who knew her.

31 Dedicated to her family, Opal Tenney Goodman Allen will be greatly
32 missed by her seven surviving children, forty-five grandchildren, ninety-four
33 great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren, sisters, Eudora and
34 Pearl, and brother, Lyman.

35 Therefore

36 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona:

37 That the Members of the House of Representatives sincerely regret the
38 passing of Opal Tenney Goodman Allen and extend their deepest appreciation
39 for her life's work and their condolences to her surviving family members.

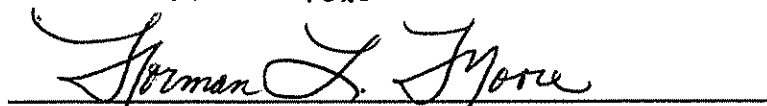
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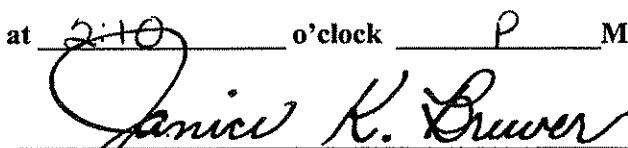
**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE**

This Resolution received by the Secretary of State

this 17 day of April, 2008

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at 2:10 o'clock P M.


Secretary of State